

INFORMATIONAL MEMO

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Purpose and Audience:

The Colorado Department of Health Care Policy & Financing invites the public to comment on proposed amendments for nine (9) Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waivers: Persons with Brain Injury (BI), Children's Extensive Supports (CES), Children's Habilitation Residential Program (CHRP), Children with Life-Limiting Illness (CLLI), Community Mental Health Supports (CMHS), Complementary and Integrative Health (CIH) – *formerly Persons with Spinal Cord Injury (SCI)*, Developmental Disabilities (DD), Elderly, Blind, and Disabled (EBD), and Supported Living Services (SLS). The Department also welcomes public comment on the waiver renewal for the following HCBS waiver: Children's HCBS (CHCBS). The public comment period is open for 30 days, from Thursday, Feb. 2, 2023, through Friday, March 3, 2023.

Information:

The Department intends to submit the amendments and renewal to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on March 10, 2023. The Department will request an effective date of July 1, 2023, for the amendments and renewal.

The proposed waiver amendments include the following changes:

- Peer Mentorship Provider Qualification Clarification (BI, CMHS, DD, EBD, CIH, SLS)
- Remote Support Provider Entity Responsible for Verification Update (BI, CMHS, CIH, EBD, SLS)
- Mental Health Transitional Living Home (CMHS)
- Case Management Redesign Updates (All waivers)
- Supported Employment Service Update (SLS)
- New Benefits Planning Service (DD, SLS)
- Home Delivered Meals Provider Qualifications Update (EBD, CMHS, CIH, SLS, BI, DD)
- Regional Center Reimbursement Language Corrections (DD)
- Day Habilitation Service Update (DD, SLS)
- Complementary and Integrative Health Services—Unit Limitation Update (CIH)
- Appendix D and B Language Alignment (All waivers)
- Case Management Monitoring Visits (All waivers)
- Complementary and Integrative Health Services—Massage Therapy Rate Increase (CIH)
- Personal Care (EBD, CMHS, CIH, BI)
- Telehealth Options for Consultation Services (SLS, CES, DD, BI, CMHS, EBD, CIH)
- Non-Substantive Performance Measures Language Corrections (All waivers)
- Updates to Cost Neutrality Demonstration (All waivers)
- Miscellaneous Corrections (CHCBS)

For a more detailed summary of all changes, please go to the Department's website at https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/hcbs-waiver-transition to view the full draft

waivers and the amendment/renewal fact sheet. You may also obtain a paper or electronic copy by calling 303-866-3684 or by writing the Department at 1570 Grant St., Denver, CO 80203.

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Comments should be submitted to the Department through the following routes:

• By Email: <u>HCPF_LTSS.PUBLICCOMMENT@state.co.us</u>

• By Phone: 303-866-3684

• By US Mail: Attention: HCBS Waiver Amendments/Renewals, 1570 Grant St., Denver, CO 80203

• By Fax: Attention HCBS Waiver Amendments/Renewals 303-866-2786

Attachment(s):

None

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